

**Practitioner's Docket No. 1600/163****PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***In re application of:* Cote et al.

Application No.: 10/700,344

Group/Art Unit: 3767

Filing Date: November 3, 2003

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Examiner: Moulton, Elizabeth Rose

For: LUER-ACTIVATED VALVE

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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- (3) Before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last." 37 C.F.R. section 1.97(b).

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"Individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application within the meaning of this section are:

- (1) each inventor named in the application;
- (2) each attorney or agent who prepares or prosecutes the application; and
- (3) every other person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application." 37 C.F.R. section 1.56(c).

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**List of Sections Forming Part of This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement**

The following sections are being submitted for this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement:

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1. Preliminary Statements
2. Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449)
3. Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or Publications
4. Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
5. Cumulative Patents or Publications
6. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement
7. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items
  - 7A. EPO Search Report
  - 7B. English Language Version of EPO Search Report
8. Translation(s) of Non-English Language Documents
9. Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items (Optional)
10. Identification of Person(s) Making This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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**Section 1. Preliminary Statements**

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. section 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability, or that no other material information exists.

The filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner. Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 25.

**SECTION 2. FORMS PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Cote et al. Attorney Docket: 1600/163  
 Serial No: 10/700,344 Group/Art Unit: 3767  
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 Examiner Name: Moulton, Elizabeth Rose  
 Invention: LUER-ACTIVATED VALVE

**LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR  
APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Reference Number	Document Number	Issue Date	Inventor	Class/Subclass
	ID	US 7,100,890	Sep. 5, 2006	Cote Sr. et al.	251/149.1
	IE	US 6,883,778	Apr. 26, 2005	Newton et al.	251/149.1
	IF	US 6,585,229	Jul. 1, 2003	Cote Sr. et al.	251/149.1
	IG	US 6,485,472	Nov. 26, 2002	Richmond	604/246
	IH	US 6,206,860	Mar. 27, 2001	Richmond	604/246
	II	US 6,189,859	Feb. 20, 2001	Rohrbough et al.	251/149.1
	IJ	US 6,158,458	Dec. 12, 2000	Ryan	137/515.5
	IK	US 5,954,313	Sep. 21, 1999	Ryan	251/149.1
	IL	US 5,817,069	Oct. 6, 1998	Arnett	604/256
	IM	US 5,788,215	Aug. 4, 1998	Ryan	251/149.6
	IN	US 5,685,842	Nov. 11, 1997	Drivas	604/49
	IO	US 5,613,663	Mar. 25, 1997	Schmidt et al.	251/149.2
	IP	US 5,555,908	Sep. 17, 1996	Edwards et al.	137/329.1
	IQ	US 5,549,577	Aug. 27, 1996	Siegel et al.	604/256
	IR	US 5,540,661	Jul. 30, 1996	Tomisaka et al.	604/265
	IS	US 5,520,665	May 28, 1996	Fleetwood	604/283
	IT	US 5,441,487	Aug. 15, 1995	Vedder	604/167
	IU	US 5,184,652	Feb. 9, 1993	Fan	141/21
	IV	US 5,127,904	Jul. 7, 1992	Loo et al.	604/83
	IW	US 5,122,123	Jun. 16, 1992	Vaillancourt	604/192
	IX	US 4,041,432	Aug. 9, 1977	Yarworth et al.	337/111

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	IY	US 2003/0060779	Mar. 27, 2003	Richmond	604/256
	IZ	US 2002/0024036	Feb. 28, 2002	Rohrbough et al.	251/149.1

Examiner Signature: /Elizabeth Moulton/  
Date Considered: 04/09/2010

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation *if not* in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

**Section 6. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement**

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. section 1.98(a)(2) requires that any information disclosure statement filed under section 1.97 shall include: "A legible copy of: (i) Each foreign patent; (ii) Each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed, other than U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications unless required by the Office; (iii) For each cited pending unpublished U.S. application, the application specification including the claims, and any drawing of the application, or that portion of the application which caused it to be listed including any claims directed to that portion; and (iv) All other information or that portion which caused it to be listed."

Legible copies of all items listed in Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449) accompany this information statement.

*(complete the following, if applicable)*

[x] Exception(s) to above:

**Copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not included, as the Office has not required them.**

**Copies of cited pending unpublished U.S. applications that are available in the USPTO's IFW system are not included. See *Waiver of the Copy Requirement in 37 CFR 1.98 for Cited Pending U.S. Patent Applications*, 1287 O.G. 163 (Oct. 19, 2004).**

[ ] Items in prior application, from which an earlier filing date is claimed for this application, as identified in Section 4.

[ ] Cumulative patents or publications identified in Section 5.

**Section 10. Identification of Person(s) Making This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement**

The person making this certification is

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(a)  the inventor(s) who signs below

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**SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR**

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*(type name of inventor who is signing)*

(b)  an individual associated with the filing and prosecution of this application (37 C.F.R. section 1.56(c))

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**SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR**

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*(type name of inventor who is signing)*

(c)  the practitioner who signs below on the basis of the information:

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